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- (a) The Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission, in consultation with the Department, shall develop a cultural competency model training curriculum for law enforcement officers assigned to public schools.
- (b) (1) The cultural competency model training curriculum shall teach behaviors, attitudes, and policies that enable law enforcement officers to understand, communicate with, and effectively interact with the individuals, organizations, and institutions in the community in which the public school to which a law enforcement officer is assigned is located.
  - (2) The cultural competency model training curriculum shall include:
- (i) Personal exposure to the individuals, organizations, and institutions within the assigned community; and
- (ii) Knowledge of government and community services available to help prevent juvenile arrests.
- (c) A law enforcement officer who is assigned to patrol a school building or school grounds is encouraged to complete the cultural competency model training curriculum established under subsection (b) of this section before the law enforcement officer begins an assignment in a public school.

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